

Amendments to the Specification:

In the English translation document, please delete the term --Description-- at page 1 line 1 before the title.

In the English translation document, please add the section heading and paragraph at page 1 line 6, after the title, as follows:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is the US National Stage of International Application No. PCT/EP2004/009108, filed August 13, 2004 and claims the benefit thereof. The International Application claims the benefits of German application No. 10345051.3 DE filed September 26, 2003, both of the applications are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety.--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 line 6, after the newly added CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS section, as follows:

--FIELD OF INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 1 lines 6-9, as follows:

The invention relates to a method for setting up a communication link between two clients from a plurality of clients in a directly communicating communication network ~~in accordance with the precharacterizing part of patent claim 1.~~

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 1 line 11, as follows:

--BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 3 line 1, as follows:

--SUMMARY OF INVENTION--

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 4 line 24 through page 5 line 7, as follows:

~~Taking the precharacterizing part of patent claim 1 as a starting point, the object is achieved by virtue of the following method steps being performed in succession: first~~First, client address information which is required for setting up paired communication links between the clients is stored in distributed form in the plurality of clients. A searching client then transmits a broadcast request message aimed at setting up at least one communication link between a calling client and at least one sought client. Subsequently, provided that the broadcast request message's respective functionality means that it has the transmission of a response message associated with it, which response message comprises a client address information item which is required for the at least one communication link, each client receiving the broadcast request message transmits this response message. Finally, this client address information item is used to set up the communication link between the calling client and the at least one sought client.

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 5 lines 20-23, as follows:

The method is advantageously refined by the characterizing features of dependent ~~patent~~ claims 2-16. In this case, features of the dependent ~~patent~~ claims may also be advantageously combined with one another.

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 9 line 31, as follows:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--

In the English translation document, please add the section heading at page 10 line 34, as follows:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF INVENTION--